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FOR: OPTICAL DISC RECORDING APPARATUS, OPTICAL DISC RECORDING METHOD, OPTICAL DISC, OPTICAL DISC REPRODUCING APPARATUS, AND OPTICAL DISC

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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REPRODUCING METHOD

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated May 12, 2010, Applicant provisionally elects, without traverse, Species I, identified in the outstanding Office Action as corresponding to Figures 1-10, for further examination on the merits. Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10, 14-15, and 19-23 are identified as readable on the elected species. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the nonelected inventions.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that a full examination of Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 10, 14-15, and 19-23 be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

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